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The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is seeking readily available data and information on debris/floatables/trash (hereafter referred to as "trash") in the Anacostia River watershed for use in the development of a total maximum daily load (TMDL). On September 21, 2010, EPA approved a trash TMDL for the Anacostia River submitted jointly by the Maryland Department of the Environment (MDE) and the District of Columbia Department of Energy and the Environment (DOEE). On September 19, 2016, the Natural Resources Defense Council (NRDC) filed suit in the U.S. District Court for the District of Columbia seeking vacatur of EPA's approval [Civil Action No. 16-1861 (JDB)]. The Court ruled in favor of NRDC on March 30, 2018 and directed EPA to develop or approve replacement TMDLs. EPA would appreciate your assistance in obtaining all readily available data and other information that would benefit the development of TMDLs for trash impairments in the Anacostia River watershed. Please refer to the data solicitation document for more information.

The data solicitation document can be found here and in today's Federal Register:

www.mde.maryland.gov/programs/Water/TMDL/DraftTMDLforPublicComment/Documents/EPA_Anacostia_Trash_data_call.pdf

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